

EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS BOARD[282]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”⁵

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272.2, the Board of Educational Examiners hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 13, “Issuance of Teacher Licenses and Endorsements,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The purpose of this amendment is to make it easier for military spouses and recent military veterans and their spouses to teach in the state of Iowa. Military spouses who are graduates of traditional teacher preparation programs may teach for three years if they obtain the proposed military exchange license. Recent veterans and their spouses who are graduates of traditional teacher preparation programs will receive one-year regional exchange licenses. Military spouses and recent veterans and their spouses who are graduates of nontraditional teacher preparation programs may receive substitute licenses, and the initial review for the portfolio review process will be completed by Board staff. Total fees for anyone applying under proposed subrule 13.17(4) will be \$85.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendment before 4 p.m. on Friday, May 24, 2013. Written comments and suggestions should be addressed to Kim Cunningham, Board Secretary, Board of Educational Examiners, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147, or sent by e-mail to kim.cunningham@iowa.gov, or by fax to (515)281-7669.

Any interested party or persons may present their views either orally or in writing at the public hearing that will be held Wednesday, May 22, 2013, at 1 p.m. in Room 3 Southwest, Third Floor, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendment. Persons who wish to make oral presentations at the public hearing may contact the Executive Director, Board of Educational Examiners, at the above address, or at (515)281-5849, prior to the date of the public hearing.

Any person who intends to attend the public hearing and requires special accommodations for specific needs, such as a sign language interpreter, should contact the office of the Executive Director at (515)281-5849.

This amendment is subject to waiver pursuant to 282—Chapter 6, “Waivers or Variances from Administrative Rules.”

After analysis and review of this rule making, there is no anticipated impact on jobs.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 272.2(1)“a.”

The following amendment is proposed.

Adopt the following **new** subrule 13.17(4):

13.17(4) Military exchange license.

a. Spouses of active duty military applying under 13.3(2). A three-year nonrenewable military exchange license may be issued to the applicant under the following conditions:

(1) The applicant has completed a traditional teacher preparation program at a regionally accredited and state-approved two- or four-year college.

(2) The applicant is the holder of a valid and current or an expired teaching license from another state.

(3) The applicant provides verification of the applicant's connection to or the applicant's spouse's connection to the military by providing a copy of current military orders with either a marriage license or a copy of a military ID card for the applicant's spouse.

(4) This license may be converted to a one-year regional exchange license upon application and payment of fees.

b. Recent veterans (retired or discharged within the past five years as of the date of application) or their spouses applying under 13.3(2). A five-year teaching license or a one-year exchange license may be issued to an eligible applicant. A veteran must provide a copy of the veteran's DD 214. A spouse must provide a copy of the veteran spouse's DD 214 and the couple's marriage license.

c. Spouses of active duty military, recent veterans or recent veterans' spouses applying under 13.3(3). An applicant who is not currently eligible for a teaching license will be issued a substitute license, and the initial review for the portfolio review process will be completed by board staff. An applicant must provide verification of connection to the military outlined in 13.17(4) "a"(3) or 13.17(4) "b."

d. Fees. Fees for the background check, evaluation and license issued pursuant to 13.17(4) will be limited to the fee outlined in rule 282—12.1(272), paragraph "2."